

481—61.2(135C) Variances. Procedures for requesting a variance in rules 481—58.2(135C) and 481—59.2(135C) are incorporated by reference as part of this chapter. Certain resident populations, conditions in the area, or the site may justify variances. In specific cases, variances to the rules may be granted by the director after the following conditions are met:

1. The design and planning for the specific property shall offer improved or compensating features which provide equivalent desirability and utility;
2. Alternate or special construction methods, techniques, and mechanical equipment shall offer equivalent durability, utility, safety, structural strength and rigidity, sanitation, odor control, protection from corrosion, decay and insect attack, and quality of workmanship;
3. The health, safety or welfare of any resident shall not be endangered;
4. Variations are limited to the specific project under consideration and shall not be construed as establishing a precedent for similar acceptance in other cases;
5. Occupancy and function of the building shall be considered; and
6. Type of licensing shall be considered.